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There is consensus that laws have been broken in the Iran-Contra affair, though we do not yet know by whom. President Reagan says only that mistakes were made. However, planning to break the law and breaking it require premeditation. Mistakes are not premeditated. Taking into consideration all we have heard so far, we must assume that breaking the law becomes a mistake when one gets caught.

It is hard to believe that any president would have the effrontery to say to the American people what President Reagan said on the night of March 4, 1987. He has revealed his contempt for their intelligence.

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